

**METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR EXPRESSING POLYNUCLEOTIDES
SPECIFICALLY IN SMOOTH MUSCLE CELLS IN VIVO**

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

10 The present invention generally relates to promoters, enhancers and other regulatory
elements of smooth muscle cells ("SMC"). The invention more particularly relates to methods for
the targeted knockout, or over-expression, of genes of interest within smooth muscle cells or within
a subtype of smooth muscle cells. The invention further relates to methods of conferring
polynucleotide expression in vivo specifically in smooth muscle cells or in subtypes of smooth
muscle cells.

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